

19. A device for delivering a body implantable lead, the device comprising:

a main wire body having a proximal extremity and a distal extremity;

a steering knob secured to the proximal extremity of the main wire body; and

a flexible distal portion having a proximal end secured to the distal extremity of the main body, the flexible distal portion comprising a wire coil.

20. The device defined in claim 19 in which:

the wire coil comprising the flexible distal portion of the device has an outer diameter substantially the same as that of the main body.

21. The device defined in claim 19 in which:

the wire coil comprising the flexible distal portion of the device has an outer diameter smaller than that of the main body.

22. The device defined in claim 19 in which:

the wire coil comprising the flexible distal portion of said device includes a proximal section and a distal section, the distal section being more flexible than the proximal section.

23. The device defined in claim 22 in which:

the distal section of the wire coil has an outer diameter smaller than that of the proximal section of the wire coil.

24. The device defined in claim 23 in which:

the proximal section of the wire coil has an outer diameter substantially equal to that of the main body.

25. The device defined in claim 23 in which:
the proximal section of the wire coil has an outer diameter
smaller than that of the main body.

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26. A device for delivering a body implantable lead, the device
comprising:

a main wire body having a proximal extremity and a distal
extremity;

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a steering knob secured to the proximal extremity of the
main wire body; and

a flexible distal portion having a proximal end secured to the
distal extremity of the main body, the flexible distal portion of said
device comprising a proximal section and a distal section, the distal
section being more flexible than the proximal section.

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27. The device defined in claim 26 in which:
the proximal section and the distal section of the flexible
distal portion of the device comprise wire coils.

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28. The device defined in claim 27 in which:
the wire coil comprising the distal section has an outer
diameter smaller than that of the wire coil comprising the proximal
section.

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29. The device defined in claim 28 in which:
the wire coil comprising the proximal section has an outer
diameter substantially the same as that of the main body.

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30. The device defined in claim 28 in which:
the wire coil comprising the proximal section has an outer
diameter smaller than that of the main body.

31. The device defined in claim 26 in which:
the proximal and distal sections comprise a unitary
structure.

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32. The device defined in claim 31 in which:
the proximal and distal sections are cylindrical, the proximal section
having an outer diameter smaller than that of the main body and the distal
section having an outer diameter smaller than that of the proximal section.

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33. The device defined in claim 31 in which:
the proximal section is cylindrical and has a diameter smaller than
that of the main body, and wherein the distal section comprises a thin leaf.

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34. The device defined in claim 33 in which:
the thin leaf has a rectangular shape with a width substantially the
same as the diameter of the proximal section.

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35. The device defined in claim 34 in which:
the flexible distal portion of the device includes a wire coil
surrounding the proximal and distal sections of the flexible distal portion.

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36. The device defined in claim 35 in which:
the thin leaf includes a distal tip, the wire coil surrounding the
proximal and distal sections of the flexible distal portion having one end
attached to the distal tip of the thin leaf and another end attached to the
proximal end of the flexible distal portion.

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37. A method of implanting an electrode of an endocardial lead
at an implantation site within a cardiac vein accessible via the superior
vena cava (SVC), coronary os and the coronary sinus region, the lead
including a distal portion and a lumen communicating with an aperture in